Rick,

I faxed your writeup and all the others to Steve Ritchie late Wednesday for a quick review before Small group on Thursday.

I have some questions about your writeup that I am passing onto you and Steve.

I think your writeup focuses on Stage 1 more than 1999. The assignment was to identify the issues and tasks for 1999.

For example your opening paragraph says the document proposes the framework for implementation. But instead we do not want the framework for Stage 1 but the framework for completing 1999. It might be an easy fix, but the paragraph should probably start more like--" the primary issues and tasks for 1999 in the WQ program are... "

Your issues are all about implementation. Were there other issues and tasks for further refinement of the content of the WQ plan such as interim objectives, and development of specific actions for drinking water quality? If so then that is needed. As it is --it looks like there are no content issues only implementation -- which is not consistent with the few bullets on the summary 2 pager for critical issues handed out at program managers meeting

the diagram seems to be a product or outcome of one of the issues/tasks. That is not what we need at this point. Instead we need a description of the 1999 process for stakeholder and agency involvemnt in completion of the WQ plan. Such as a high policy level group including DHS . I am assuming the two councils would not advise on the 1999 work effort but are for Stage 1

sorry if we did not communicate the assignment clearly enough. I assume we cannot get this changed in time for small group--but we should talk with Steve in the morning if you are in. But I need to have something by noon on Thursday for Steve to look at before he takes off and so I can put it in the policy group packet

thanks Kate

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